

BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG

ORDINANCE NO. ORD: 18/04

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING SECTION 2-38, TITLED "BOARD OF HEALTH," OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG, BY AMENDING SUBSECTIONS 2-38.3 TITLED "OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES", 2-38.4 TITLED "APPOINTMENT OF ALTERNATE MEMBERS", AND BY ADDING SECTIONS 2-38.6 TITLED "MEETINGS AND MINUTES", AND 2-38.7 TITLED "EXPENDITURES SUBJECT TO BUDGETARY APPROVAL."

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Watchung, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, as follows¹:

Section 1. 2-38.3 "Officers and Employees" is hereby amended as follows:

The Board of Health shall appoint a Registrar of Vital Statistics, Secretary, Health Inspector and such other officers and assistants as it may deem necessary. The term of Registrar of Vital Statistics shall be for three (3) years and until a his successor is appointed. All appointees shall be governed by the rules of the Board of Health. The Health Inspector shall promptly report to the Board of Health every violation of health ordinances and health laws coming to his view or knowledge. The Board of Health shall designate, from their own membership, one member to serve as Chairman.

Section 2. §2-38.4 "Appointment of Alternate Members" is hereby amended as follows:

a. Pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 26:3-3, two (2) alternate members shall be appointed to the Watchung Borough Board of Health.

b. Each alternate member shall be appointed by the Mayor with the advice and consent of the Council. Alternate members shall be designated at the time of appointment by the Mayor as Alternate No. 1 and Alternate No. 2.

c. The terms of the alternate members shall be for two (2) years. The term of not more than one (1) alternate member shall expire in any one (1) year. A vacancy occurring otherwise than by expiration of term shall be filled by the Mayor.

¹Editor's Note: The portions to be deleted are shown with strike-outs and will be deleted from the codified version of this Ordinance and the underlined portions will remain in the codified version of this Ordinance.

d. An alternate member shall not be permitted to act on any matter in which he has either directly or indirectly any personal or financial interest.

e. An alternate member may, after public hearing if he requests one, be removed by the Borough Council for cause.

f. An alternative member may participate in discussions of the proceedings of the Board of Health, but may not vote except in the absence or disqualification of a regular member. A vote shall not be delayed in order that a regular member vote instead of an alternate member. In the event that a choice must be made as to which alternate member is to vote, Alternate No. 1 shall vote first.

Section 3. §2-38.6 "Meetings and Minutes" is hereby added to the Revised General Ordinances of the Borough of Watchung as follows:

a. Schedule of Meetings. The Chairman of the Board of Health of the Borough of Watchung shall annually, within the first two weeks of January, schedule a minimum of four quarterly meetings which will be posted on the Borough Website. Such meetings may be cancelled by the Chairman, within one week thereof. Notice of any cancellation must be posted on the Borough's Website.

b. Minutes. The Secretary of the Board of Health of the Borough of Watchung shall keep minutes of all meetings of same. All minutes will be transmitted to the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Watchung within one week after approval. All such minutes are government records within the scope of the state's Open Public Records Act.

Section 4. §2-38.7 "Expenditures Subject to Budgetary Approval" is hereby added to the Revised General Ordinances of the Borough of Watchung as follows:

The Board of Health shall expend no funds and shall incur no expenses except to the extent and for the items and purposes specified in the annual Borough budget approved by the Borough Council.

Section 5. Severability. If any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance shall be declared invalid for any reason whatsoever, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this Ordinance which shall continue in full force and effect, and to this end the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable.

Section 6. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect upon final adoption and publication according to law.

ATTEST:

BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG

Michelle DeRocco, Clerk

Stephen K. Pote, Mayor

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